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Sir:

REQUEST TO HAVE FIRST SUBMISSION ENTERED AND CONSIDERED ON THE MERITS AFTER FINAL REJECTION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.129

This is a request to have a first submission entered and considered on the merits after final rejection pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.129.

The present application is a continuation-in-part of PCT application PCT/US94/12328, filed October 27, 1994, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Serial No. 08/021,209, filed February 23, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,361,306.

Please enter as the first submission the Amendment After Final filed via facsimile on December 22, 1997.

A check in the amount of \$395, which is the fee set out in §1.17(r), is enclosed.

1/07/1998 EKURTZ 00000048 08472876 1 The first submission and the fee required under § 1.17(r) are being filed prior to the filing of an appeal and prior to the abandonment of this application.

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Consideration on the merits of the Amendment After Final filed on December 22, 1997 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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